Setting up of Medical Education Grants Commission

*573. SHRI MENTARY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to constitute a Medical Education Grants Commission on the lines of the U.G.C.; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI M. L. FOTEDAR): (a) and (b) A proposal to constitute an Education Commission in Health Sciences hase been accepted in principle by the Government. The establishment of such a Commission will, however, depend on the availablility of resources.

The board terms of reference of the proposed Commission, inter-alia, include the following:—

1. To act as the Apex expert body in the field of Education in Health Science.

2. To provide realistic and integrated projections for National health manpower requirements at different levels, to meet the National Health Policy objectives.

3. To act as an coordinating agency for all professional Councils in the field of Education in Health Sciences.

4. To plan and recommend appropriate changes in the educational system that would facilitate the establishment of inter-linkages between health care delivery system.

5. To promote excellence and quality in education on health sciences and assist various institutions in achieving educational objectives directed to that end.

House-burning by Terrorists in Srinagar

*574. SHRI VISHNU KANT SHASTRI:

SHRI SUNDER SINGH BHANDARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of houses burnt by terrorists/militants in Srinagar during the last two years;

(b) the value of property destroyed as result thereof; and

(c) whether Government have paid any compensation to those who have suffered the loss, and if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) to (c) About 450 houses have been burnt in Srinagar during the last two years. It is difficult to precisely estimate the value of the property destroyed. The Government of Jammu and Kashmir have issued guidelines for payment of ex-gratia assistance for damage to immovable property due to acts of sabotage or bomb blasts, vide their order No. 723-GR (GAD) dated 10-7-90. In the Kashmir Valley, ex-gratia assistance of Rs. 10.48 crores has been sanctioned in respect of 2096 cases of houses damaged including those in Srinagar.

Findings of the Commissioner of Safety into the Collison of K-75 Down EMU

*575. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether, as per the findings of the Commissioner of Safety, Central Circle, the railway staff is responsible for the collision of K-75 down EMU; and

(b) if so, the action taken against the officials responsible therefor, and the steps taken to prevent recurrence of such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI

(MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. As per the provisional findings of the Commissioner of Railway Safety, Central Circle, the accident occured due to failure of railway staff. Further action in the matter will be taken on receipt of the Final Report of the Commissioner of Railway Safety.

पश्चिम रेलवे के रेलवे स्टेशन की आर्थिक व्यवहार्यता का मूल्यांकन

*576. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जी० सोलंकी** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या पश्चिम रेलवे के मंडलों के अंतर्गत रेलवे स्टेशनों की आर्थिक व्यवहार्यता के मूल्यांकन के लिए कोई सर्वेक्षण किया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और इन मंडलों के अंतर्गत अलाभप्रद रेलवे स्टेशनों के नाम क्या हैं; और

(ग) इन स्टेशनों को आर्थिक रूप से सक्षम बनाने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए जा रहे हैं?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) और (ख) जी नहीं, बहरहाल, रेलवे शाखा लाइनों तथा उन पर स्थित स्टेशनों की समग्र आर्थिक व्यवहार्यता का मूल्यांकन करने के लिए, समय-समय पर समीक्षा की जाती है, पश्चिम रेलवे पर अलाभप्रद शाखा लाइनों की 1990-91 के दौरान की गयी समीक्षा के फलस्वरूप, 23 शाखा लाइनों पर स्थित 237 स्टेशन अर्थक्षम नहीं पाये गये थे। इनका ब्यौरा अनुबन्ध में दिया गया है।

(देखिए परिशिष्ट 164, अनुपत्र संख्या 70)

(ग) जो स्टेशन अर्थक्षम नहीं हैं, उन्हें पैसेंजर हाल्टों में बदला जा रहा है, ताकि खर्च को कम किया जा सके।

Killing of old persons in Delhi

*577. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the monthwise details of cases that took place in Delhi during 1990, 1991 and 1992 so far in which mostly old persons and their families have been killed and injured by the antisocial elements;

(b) what are the details of men and women killed and injured and the extent of loss suffered by them;

(c) whether it is a fact that the South Delhi colonies are mostly the targets of these elements; and

(d) if so, what steps Government have taken to safeguard the lives and property of the people in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) and (b) A statement indicating monthwise number of cases in which old persons and their families were killed/injured (men and women separately) and loss suffered by them during the years 1990, 1991 and 1992 (upto 31-7-1992) is laid on the Table of the House. [*See* Appendix CLXIV, Annexure No. 71].

(c) No, Sir. The South Delhi colonies are mostly located in South and South-West Police Districts. A statement-I indicating the number of cases registered/persons killed/injured (men and women separtely) and loss suffered by them in these districts and in other districts in the Union Territory of Delhi is laid on the Table of the House. (*See* below)

(d) A statement-II is laid on the Table of the House. (See below)

Statement

The following steps have been taken to prevent killing of old persons in Delhi:

(i) A Senior Citizens Security Scheme has been introduced. All senior citizens have been identified beat-wise and division-wise in every police station. Beat staff of the police stations visit these senior citizens to offer them advice on security steps to be taken by them, and for